June 27th

2:30 pm. – Left my house bag & baggage – John barking his goodbye from window

3:45 – boarded train to Washington – Edgar accompanying us as far as N. Philly where he takes train to Atlantic city.

5:15 – Edgar departed after much riding about the amount of luggage –

E.S. Fine.
Washington on Stand

6:45 Lois' bag saved from disaster by the use of a kleenex + one of Gene's elastics to keep bottle of alcohol from leaking

8:30 Arrive in Washington where it is hot, but ~~to~~ Brent who meets us says it is comparatively cool. Extra gorgeous sunset

7:45 Checked in Bellevue then on to supper at Evans' Coffee shop out door garden - good food!

11:15 To bed

June 28th

7:15 Up!
We will worry about the size of my bag after breakfast!

9 a.m. Off! - good weather
m. 9587 - after baggage expertly maneuvered by Brent. My conscience eased slightly for mine is the biggest bag - adelles next.

10:30 Rolling along ~~thru~~ into Md. beautiful stretches of farmland. Wheat + buckwh. smell so fresh + good

Passed unhappy looking
bull in truck this side
of Fredrick, Md.
-miles of rambley road
The Shenandoah Valley
rich and lush, rollercoaster
hills. Robert + Adelle count-
ing cows, horses gave up—
to many - also license
11 - Hancocks - other side of
first drops of rain. Visibility
over beautiful hills - bad
Brent raised eyebrow at
my knitting - Genes life
savers gone, starting in
on gum
12 - Lunch in the clouds in
a down pour. Town Hill Mt,
Md. extra nice place
115 mi. out of Wash. - Stopped
raining - gorgeous view.
1:30 On our way again - down
FAIR again
3:10 Over Penn. line - short
way of very bad roads.
slippery mud, deep ruts
Didn't make Adelle happy
Roads begin to straighten
out - Many more muddy
stretches. Slow going.
4:30 Detour from Beallsville
to Scenery Hill - Passed thru
2 mining towns where miners
faces look as if they had been

sprayed with black paint
5:25 Stopped for gas at
Washington, Pa. - Sign reads
Good Food - Reasonable
Tourists - Brent interprets
~~for~~ kids as - if tourists are
reasonable any food will be
good + warm - Credit card used
5:30 Burning culm pile - Whew!
waste from coal - 1st oil
well deserted - Lois + Brent
reminiscing on bits of Poetry
names of towns recall
pretty city
6 - Enter W. Va. 6:20 Wheeling
6:30 " Ohio after 2 toll bridges 5¢ ea.

Sign
Chicken in the Rough
Served Unjointed
without silverware 50¢

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Lloydsville, Ohio

6:45 Stopped for dinner + night
at Welcome Inn - AAA
Super chicken - homemade
style with wh. gravy, waffles
noodles!!! A tour of the
grounds with Robt + Adelle
disclosed Billy, a 10 wks old
goat, spirited, all white, + hogs
+ a garden washed out with
rain. Another shower before bed
Rooms very clean - beds good
Finished the body of my
sweater + started sleeves
10. Bed
milage 293

Goat wagged its tail
like a dog

June 29th

6.30 Up - beautiful day with
long shadows on the hillsides
after starting by 7 -. Ohio
quite hilly with pastures
farmlands there here. Drove into apricots
7.45 Rolling westward again after
breakfast in Cambridge. N.G.
9.15 Jacksontown stopped for gas.
Credit card used. Robt chg.
clothes after slight accident
after breakfast. Roads now
flatter + straighter. Lots of
contented cows, horses, sheep
sheep + even blk. hogs.
Robt. & Ad. again taking
cattle census - cows - 2
horses 3, - cats 5, dogs 10
cemitaries - 10 - Cloudy again

It hurts Robt. to pass by
without buying fireworks
10.55 Columbus - Impressed
by cleanness + beauty
A very tall office bldg. beautiful
vista - entering
the vast great plains begin
just as we begin on the
hard candy. Slight sprinkles
11.30 of rain every now & again.
12.10 Springfield - Robt being
relay interpreter for directions
at the apricots again - arabic: "mish"
hard traffic. R. engrossed
with crossword puzzle
1 - Passed over 2 flood
control dams - markers
for high water

Buckeye State - from tree

1:30 Passed up a good place to eat, stopped where they were washing windows - left dirty. In the meantime starved until we found a nicer place $\overset{15}{10}$ miles along
temp. 66° - lemon m. pie
Clear 2:30 off again 9 mis
Extra beautiful skies - low fluffy clouds
2:35 Indiana State Line

Changed to Central St. Time
12:40 - Poor watch took a set back for 2 hrs. I had never chg. to Stand T. wh. Wash. is on. Hoosier State

Richmond - heavy traffic blocked by angry female sitting in parked car with door open plum in midst of horn blowers
Prent sings sailors song for own amusement
Dead animals along wayside so far have included: birds, cats, 2 dogs, fox, skunks.
2:30 Entering Indianapolis. For the last half hour after we stopped to look at J. W. Riley's birthplace. I have been valiantly ripping back & picking up stiches. A whole day's work lost. because I decreased every rw. inst. of every 5 rows. Geepers!

Greenfield

Ind. City - rather old & brown looking, route 40 well marked thru. Left early on outskirts to pick up #36 passed 300 mi. mark at 3 p.m.

3-4th Turned out to be beautiful Visibility over little more hilly country perfect. In car, Robt. asleep chewing gum, audibility not so good. cornfields glistening like water Haymows all along eaten out by cattle leaving it to look like oddly shaped mushroom

4 - Discussed wiseness of stopping at Turkey Run Pk. but decided not

4.15 Crossed the famous Wabash at Montezuma! No halls of in sight

4:25 Crossed Indiana State line into Illinois over flattest & ~~str~~ straightest of all roads so far Adell has been knitting for miles & it still measures 39"

5:30 Newman, Ill. where we found cabins for night behind sq. hedge of ramblers. Sm. clean! Went to town sq. where Prent took pictures of us and old with sign City Hall - Public Toilets. Late sun is wonderful. Bought Life, the movie mag for Adell

& comics for Robt. He wanted War
Ate after recomendation of 2 town people
freshened up in the place
labelled MEN upstairs
in a funny old loft place.
Butcher brings steaks in
After we had ordered
steak. Robt. watching man
pop corn interestedly. Stranger
buys him a bag
3.95 miles
Sunset at 7:30
Wrote letters
bed - 9

Sunday June 30th

5 a.m. Adele & I first ones
up. Subject for kidding
Another beautiful day but
so cold. Who said Ill.
was hot.
6:20 Off again with the sun at
our heels. Mile after mile
of endless flat greens
— (hog & corn country)
Hollyhocks planted beside
all little concrete bridges.
Pearl says Madame LeFarge
is at it again! when I
pick up my knitting
Light sprinkling of rain as
we pass the 1st curve in 43 mi
7:40 Breakfast in Decauter
huge place. good food - music!

9:10 Extra large trailer truck
didn't make jog in road
Turned upside down on side
against billboard. Axle off
9:55 Had to stop at a Texaco Sta.
outskirts of Springfield. Good
Phillips 66 ½ block further!
10:15 Stopped at Lincoln's home
in Springfield. Quaint early
Victorian furnishings. We
wondered how such a large
man could sit in such sm. chairs
Took time to drive out to
Lincoln's Tomb. Quite impressive
with obelisk, divided stairway
+ statues. Appropriately
non-mystical. Wind fresh
with my skirts

10:45 ~~back~~ on
Not yet! Wandering around
looking of New Salem St. Pk.
We don't know where we're
going but it's a nice road.
Lois having difficulty finding route #24. Here's #24 with
signs so we know we're OK.
Lois discovers she is using
year old maps that both are same
She thinks it's ~~a~~ a mean trick.
11:45 Found! New Salem Pk.
Reconstructed village of 120
yrs. ago. where Lincoln lived
6 yrs. as clerk, mill hand, soldier
in Blk. Hawk War, storekeeper,
postmaster, + deputy surveyor
here self educated

this is where he met Anne
Rutledge, her father inn
keeper - he lived in loft.
Lovely place atop hill, many
1:30 hollyhocks. 1:30 Lunch at
the Wagon Wheel in park
Very charming place - good food
2:30 On our way again. Must
make tracks now to make up
3— Passing thru the town of Prentice
Prent in his glory
3:10 Back on good old #36 !
Resuming westward trek again
4:10 Quite warm now. Everyone
amazed when I slipped
out of my hot slip
Lois reading to Robt. life

Missouri

returns to normal. Prent
thinks Ill. bugs the juiciest
5 p.m. Crossed
the great Mississippi
we weren't in the least
disappointed - Sturdy but
polite looking. Into
Hannibal to see the Mark
Twain Home where boyhood
experiences were recorded as
Tom Sawyer. Very charming
5:30 The evening hunt for stop
begins again. Still flat,
hot. They sure do grow
hollyhocks big out here.
Wheat has already been
harvested. Prent citing

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80 miles about in Ill.

news. i.e. names of counties & towns. Lois & I give concert which seems to pain Prent in nape of neck.

6:20 After knitting on you Prent calls it Penelopes (car)

7 15 Webb finally stopped for supper at a truck drivers stop. Beer! I got quite a kick out of things

7 45 Rollin again, on the lookout still for cabins with baths

Callao, beyond Macon Stopped at Christy's cabins double beds with private showers

To bed

Couple in cabin next from Oregon had never seen fireflies before! On their way home after picking up new Buick in Detroit!

July 1st

7 a.m. off. The music of sheepbells waken us. Deep baas & high baas

Cloudy, comfortably cool

8- Breakfast in Brookfield, Mo. Sm. stack (3) of buckwheat cakes

9:10 Missouri mules & horses sleek & healthy looking

Corn growing taller. Passed J. C. Penny Farm, Many Penny horses, nice

Saw wheat being thrashed, baled

Robt & Ag. flying kites with paper tied with yarn. Too much cattle now to count. Towns now just a few houses & miles apart. No wonder Westerners are so cordial We would be too we decided